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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 3640**
Nagaaki SATO et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2004_1297A
Serial No. 10/505,476 : Group Art Unit 1625
Filed October 27, 2004 : Examiner Patricia L. Morris
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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE FEES IN THE
FEES FOR THE DEPOSIT
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Sir:

This is responsive to the Official Action dated December 21, 2005.

The Official Action constitutes a requirement for restriction.

Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-14 and 19-20.

Regarding the election of a single process, Applicants elect the process of Group IV,
claim 17.

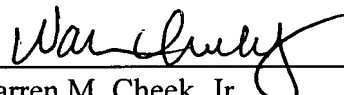
Applicants agree to the deletion of claim 18, which deletion will be effected in the
response to the first Office Action.

Favorable action on the merits is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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